

**Please enter the following amendments in the specification:**

Delete paragraph [0003] and substitute the following:

**[0003]** In the production of yarn, a uniformity of the yarn which is as high as possible is generally aimed for within narrow tolerances. In contrast, the non-uniformity of the yarn is characteristic of effect or novelty yarns. A yarn, in which thick locations with predetermined larger diameters and with predetermined lengths, the so-called effects, are present, is called an effect ~~or novelty yarn~~ or a novelty yarn. The yarn sections located in between with a smaller diameter are called webs. Effect or novelty yarns are becoming more and more important. Areas of application are, for example, denims, materials for casual clothing and home textiles.